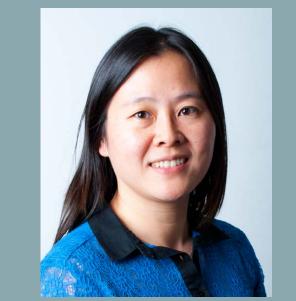
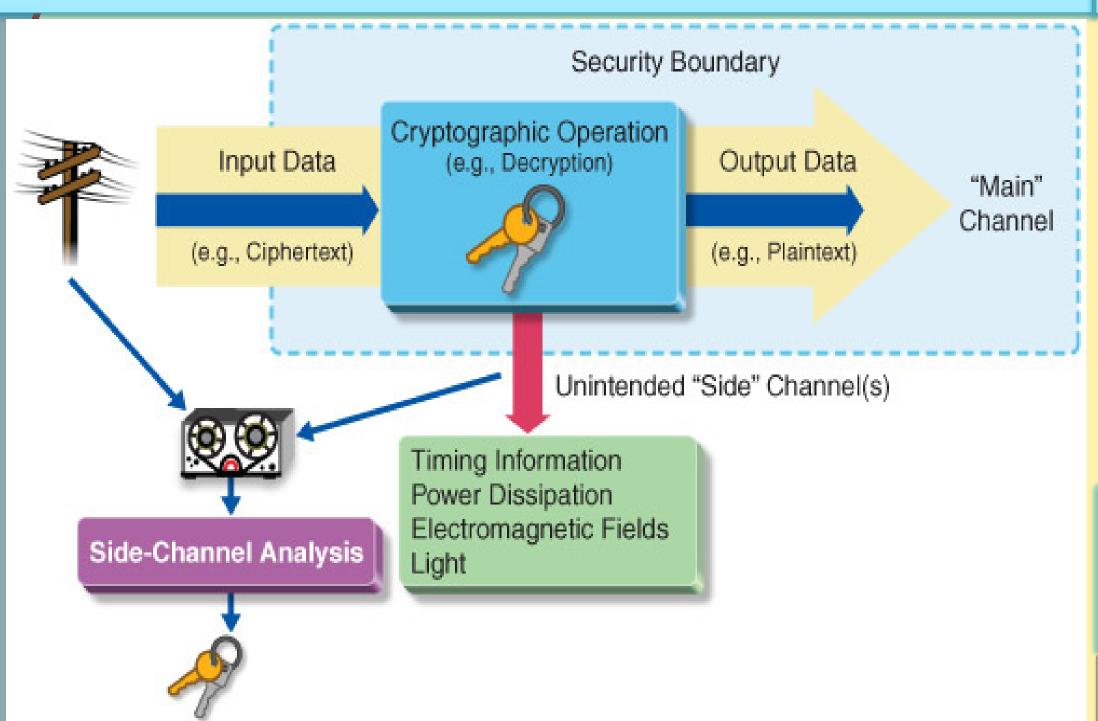
Medium: A Unified Statistics-based Framework for Analysis and Evaluation of Side-channel Attacks in Cryptosystems

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Side Channel Attack (SCA)



Use side-channel leakages to extract the secret key:

- 1. Power dissipation;
- 2. Cache timing information;
- 3. Electromagnetic leaks;
- 4. Light emission.

Power SCA Model

The strongest statistical attack is the maximum-likelihood (ML-)attack whose success rate is given by a high-dimensional Gaussian distribution.

$$SR = \Phi_{\vec{\Sigma}} \{ \sqrt{n} \vec{\mu} \}$$

For power leakage, ML-attack is equivalent to the CPA.

1st-order CPA: $L(t) = c + \varepsilon V + \sigma N(0,1)$, SNR $\delta = \varepsilon / \sigma$ Success Rate Formula: $SR = \Phi_{\tilde{\Sigma}} \{ \sqrt{n} \vec{\mu} \} = \Phi_{\tilde{K}} \{ \sqrt{n} \delta \vec{\kappa} / 2 \}$ Mean \vec{K} : confusion vector of 2-way $\kappa(k_c, k_g)$ (On right) Variance \vec{K} : confusion matrix of three-way $\tilde{\kappa}(k_c, k_g, k_g)$

J-th order CPA: $L(t_j) = c_j + \varepsilon_j V_j + \sigma_j N(0,1), \quad j = 1,...,J$ Success Rate Formula: $SR = \Phi_{\vec{\Sigma}} \{ \sqrt{n} \vec{\mu} \} = \Phi_{\vec{K}} \{ \frac{\sqrt{n} \prod_{j=0}^{J} \delta_j}{2^{J-1}} \vec{\kappa} \}$

Cache-timing SCA Model

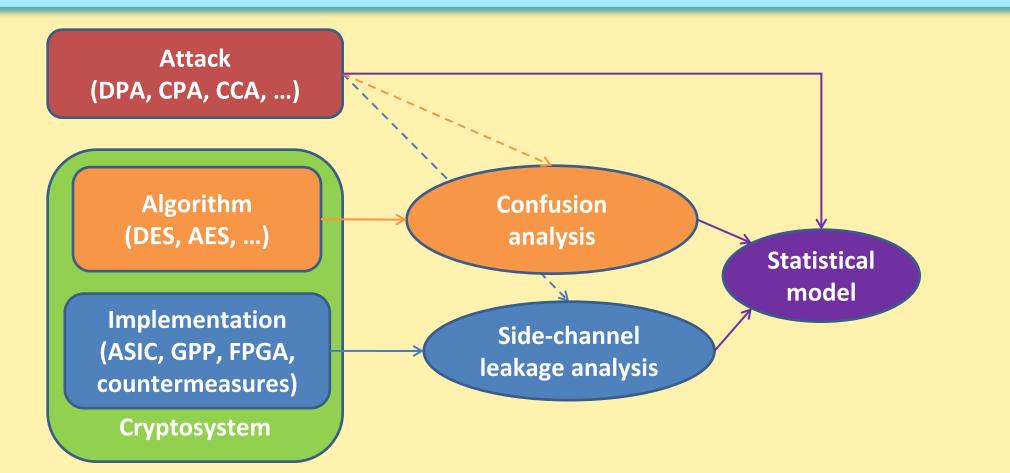
The attacker monitor n_L cache lines, with probability (p_0) of correctly identifying cache access in a total of n_A apparent accesses.

Success formula: $SR = \Phi_{\vec{\Sigma}} \{ \sqrt{n} \vec{\mu} \}$

The mean elements: $\frac{1 - p_0 n_L}{n_L - 1} (1 - \frac{1}{n_L - 1})^{n_A - 1}$

The Variance elements also have explicit expression in those factors.

Modeling Framework



Algorithmic Confusion Analysis on DES/AES S-Box

Confusion coefficient: an algorithmic metric to reveal key distinguishability

Confusion coefficient between two keys (k_i, k_j) :

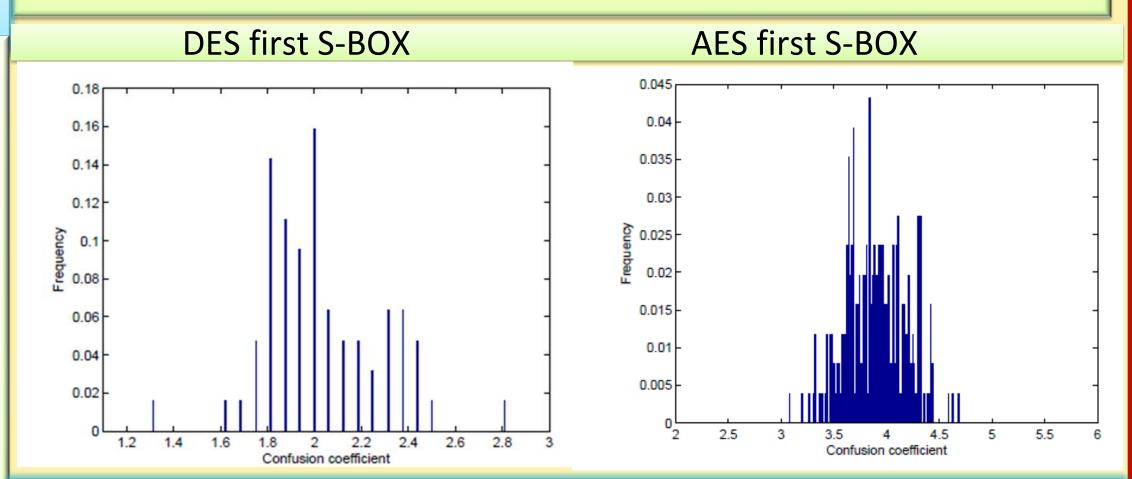
$$\kappa = \kappa(k_i, k_j) = E[(V/k_i - V/k_j)^2]$$

Three-way confusion coefficient:

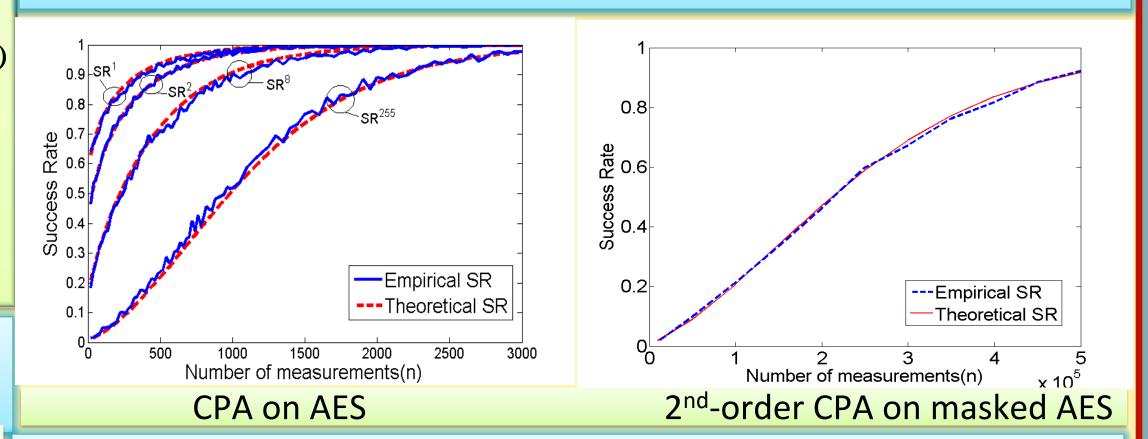
$$\tilde{\kappa} = \tilde{\kappa}(k_h, k_i, k_j) = E[(V \mid k_h - V \mid k_i)(V \mid k_h - V \mid k_j)]$$

Confusion Lemma:

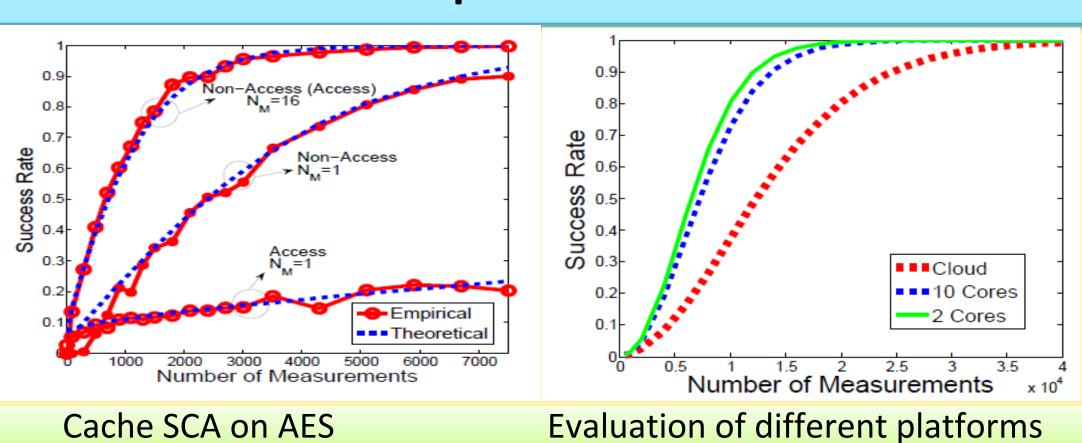
$$\widetilde{\kappa}(k_h, k_i, k_j) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\kappa(k_h, k_i) + \kappa(k_h, k_j) - \kappa(k_i, k_j) \right]$$



Power SCA Experimental Results



Cache SCA Experimental Results



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